



PRIVATE THOMAS EADES

SERVICE NO. 31474

14TH BATTALION, THE HAMPSHIRE REGIMENT

DATE OF DEATH	31 July 1917 (aged 41)
BATTLE	Battle of Pilkem, Third Ypres
REGIMENT	14 th Battalion, The Hampshire Regiment
DEATH	Although the Battalion had captured two Field Guns and other weapons and taken over 200 prisoners, two officers had been killed, five officers had been wounded, one of whom died of those wounds. For other ranks, 17 had been killed, one died of wounds, 156 were wounded and 42 were missing ⁵² . Thomas was one of those killed in action.
FAMILY DETAILS	Thomas Eades was born in Elvetham, Hampshire in 1876. He was the son of Thomas and Mary Ann (nee Poulter) Eades ⁵³ . In 1891 the family, still living in Elvetham, consisted of his father, Thomas himself, aged 14 and employed as an agricultural labourer, plus his younger sister and three younger brothers ⁵⁴ . In October 1911 Thomas married Evelyn Gaines in Odiham and some time later the couple moved to Winchfield ⁵⁵ . A daughter, Kathleen Joyce, was born in 1917 ⁵⁶ .
MEMORIAL	Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial.
MEDALS	Victory Medal British War Medal

⁵² ibid

⁵³ My thanks to Rosemary Wooldridge for sending me Thomas's family information

⁵⁴ 1891 census, Elvetham, Hampshire, ref. RG12/956 page 13

⁵⁵ Rosemary Wooldridge -Thomas's family information

⁵⁶ ibid